

REMARKS

Claims 1-3 were pending in the application. No claims have been amended by way of this preliminary amendment.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the telephone call of April 19, 2004 with Applicants' representative. During that telephone call, Applicants' representative authorized the Examiner to correct typographical errors in claim 1. Applicants believe that claims 1-3 are now in condition for allowance.

As discussed during the telephone call of April 19, 2004, Applicants are submitting this preliminary amendment to amend Figures 1 and 2. Specifically, Figures 1 and 2 have been amended to include the legend <Prior Art>. No further changes have been made.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendment and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the Application is now in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned for any reason related to the advancement of this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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